

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 1591

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served August 11, 1976

Application of THOMAS A. PICKENS T/A )  
P.T. TRANSPORTATION for a Certificate )  
of Public Convenience and Necessity )  
to Perform Non-Emergency Medical )  
Transportation )

Application No. 951

Docket No. 343

By Application No. 951, filed July 6, 1976, and supplemented August 10, 1976, Thomas A. Pickens T/A P.T. Transportation (Pickens) seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing the transportation of non-emergency medical patients between points within the Metropolitan District and medical facilities within the Metropolitan District.

The schedule of rates proposed by Pickens is identical to that established by the District of Columbia Department of Human Resources for non-emergency patient transportation services provided to eligible individuals participating in the D. C. Medicaid Program, as follows:

1. Non-emergency wheelchair van transportation:

- a. One-way trip within the Capital Beltway  
(Route 495) \$15.00  
Cancellation Charge 7.50
- b. One-way trip outside the Capital Beltway  
(Route 495) \$15.00 + \$.75 per loaded mile
- c. Round-trip within the Capital Beltway  
(Route 495) \$25.00  
Cancellation Charge 12.50
- d. Round-trip outside the Capital Beltway  
(Route 495) \$25.00 + \$.75 per loaded mile
- e. Unusual circumstances requiring additional manpower  
\$5.00 additional per trip

2. Non-emergency registered ambulance litter transportation:

- a. One-way trip within the Capital Beltway  
(Route 495) \$22.50  
Cancellation Charge 11.25
- b. One-way trip outside the Capital Beltway  
(Route 495) \$22.50 + \$1.00 per loaded mile
- c. Round-trip within the Capital Beltway  
(Route 495) \$45.00  
Cancellation Charge 11.25
- d. Round-trip outside the Capital Beltway  
(Route 495) \$45.00 + \$1.00 per loaded mile
- e. Unusual circumstances requiring additional manpower  
\$5.00 additional per trip

Pickens, apparently for convenience, has included the entire schedule of D. C. Medicaid rates, including rates for services Pickens does not propose to perform. We do not read Pickens' application as proposing "registered ambulance litter transportation". Pickens, a sole proprietorship, proposes to provide the service in a 1975 van. Service would be provided to participants in the D. C. Medicaid Program.

This application must be scheduled for public hearing. Pickens shall be assessed an amount preliminarily estimated to be sufficient to cover the expenses of the proceeding.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That Application No. 951 of Thomas A. Pickens T/A P.T. Transportation be, and it is hereby, scheduled for public hearing to commence Tuesday, September 7, 1976, at 9:30 A. M., in the Hearing Room of the Commission, Room 314, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006.

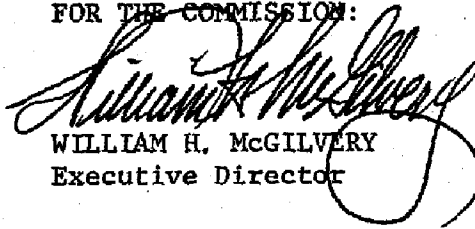
2. That Thomas A. Pickens T/A P.T. Transportation post in each vehicle and publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, notice in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission of such application and hearing no later than Wednesday, August 18, 1976, and present at the hearing a certification of posting and a certificate of publication from the selected newspaper.

3. That any person desiring to protest the application shall file a protest in accordance with Commission Rule 14, or any person desiring to

be heard on this matter shall notify the Commission in writing, on or before Friday, August 27, 1976, and shall mail a copy of such protest or notice to Thomas A. Pickens T/A P.T. Transportation, 59 Sheridan Street, N. E., Washington, D. C. 20001.

4. That Thomas A. Pickens T/A P.T. Transportation be, and is hereby, assessed \$200 pursuant to the provisions of the Compact, Title II, Article XII, Section 19, and directed to deliver said amount to the offices of the Commission, Room 316, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006, on or before Friday, August 27, 1976.

FOR THE COMMISSION:



WILLIAM H. MCGILVERY  
Executive Director

